

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Dept. for W, C, D & S.Cs., – Establishment - Smt. B.Krishna Kumari, former PD Ongole (Retd) - Disciplinary action for the alleged variation of amounts in Cash Book pertaining to Civil Works and General Cash Book – Imposition of punishment of withholding of 10% Pension for a period of six (6) months under AP Revised Pension Rules, 1980 - Orders – Issued.

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DEPARTMENT FOR WOMEN, CHILDREN, DISABLED & SENIOR
CITIZENS (ESTT.)

G.O.Rt.No. 84

Dated: 25th February, 2012.

Read the following:-

1. Preliminary enquiry report of JD (Admn) dt.25.04.02.
2. Procds.No.4876/E3/02. dt.18.05.02 of Dir, WD&CW Dept Hyderabad.
3. Charge Memo No.4876/E3/02, dt.04.06.02 of Dir, WD & CW, Hyd.
4. Defence Statement of Smt. B. Krishna Kumari dt.20.06.02
5. Procds. No.4876/E3/2002, Dt.11.07.2002 of the Dir., WD & CW, A.P. Hyderabad.
6. Procds.No.4876/E3/02, dt.15.01.03 of Dir, WD&CW Dept Hyderabad.
7. E.O. report dt.17.11.03 & Lr.no.210/A/04, dt.30.08.08 of Smt.P. Jyothi, RDD, Ongole.
8. From the commrr, WD&CW Dept Hyd Lr.No.4876/vig-1/02, dt.24.09.09.
9. Govt.Memo.No.4546/Estt.A2/2009-2, Dt.12.01.2010.
10. Representation, Dt.03.04.2010 of Smt. B. Krishna Kumari.
11. Memo No.4546/Estt.A2/2009, Dt:28-11-2011.
12. Representation of Smt. B. Krishna Kumari, PD (Retd) received on 27-12-2011.
13. From the Secretary, APPSC, Hyderabad, Lr. No.267/RT/2/2012, Dt.13.02.2012.

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ORDER:

In the letter 8th read above, the Commissioner had stated that based on the preliminary report of the Joint Director (Admn) 1st read above, Smt. B. Krishna Kumari Project Director, District Women & Child Development Agency, Ongole was placed under suspension in the proceedings ref.2nd read above and issued charge Memo to her in the 3rd read above, Smt. B. Krishna Kumari in her defence statement 4th read above denied all the charges framed against her. In the proceedings 5th read above, pending finalization of disciplinary proceedings against her, Smt. B. Krishna Kumari, Project Director was reinstated into service and posted as Assistant Director(Adoption) in the O/o Director, Women Development & Child Welfare Department, Hyderabad. As the Delinquent Officer, Smt B.Krishna Kumari, Project Director, denied the charges framed against her, an Enquiry Officer was appointed to enquiry into the charges in the proceedings 6th read above. Further the Director, Women Development & Child Welfare, Hyderabad has stated that the Enquiry Officer submitted her report vide reference 7th read above to the Commissioner, Women Development & Child Welfare, Hyderabad wherein the Enquiry Officer in her findings held the allegations as proved against the said Smt B.Krishna Kumari, and responsible for the lapses i.e., charge No.2 & 3. Further reported that concerned superintendent failed to maintain properly the official record of Cash book and made several corrections/over writings and Project Director who was the drawing and disbursing officer failed to monitor from time to time to avoid such

discrepancies in Cash Book; this in turn resulted in the short fall of the Government cash in the cash book for an amount of Rs.38837/- in civil works and Rs.33158/- in miscellaneous cash book. While submitting above report, the then Commissioner, had referred the disciplinary case to the Government for further action in view of the retirement of the Delinquent Officer on 30.09.2008 on attaining the age of superannuation.

2. In the Govt. Memo 9th read above, a copy of the above Inquiry Officer's report was communicated to the delinquent officer, Smt. B. Krishna Kumari, former Project Director, Ongole (Retd) to submit her representation, if any, on the findings of the Inquiry Officer.

3. In her representation 10th read above, the Delinquent Officer, Smt. B. Krishna Kumari had thrown the entire responsibility on the Superintendent for the lapses by stating that the inspection report of Regional Deputy Director, Ongole was finalized on 15.11.2001 and she was relieved from the post of Project Director, Ongole on the after noon of 21.05.2002 and the Office Superintendent who had been working since 1997 i.e. during the entire period of inspection covered under the inspection report who ought to be aware of the provisions under para-9 of Budget Manual cannot escape from the responsibility under the provisions of Art.5 of APFC Vol.I in spite of several warnings given to him on the shabby maintenance of cash books with over-writings, corrections, erasing and applying fluid. Thus, she has admitted that there were over corrections, over-writings and interpolations in Cash Book and that she had warned and reprimanded the Office Superintendent many times but she has failed to take disciplinary action and exercise supervision as a Drawing & Disbursing Officer by her own admissions.

4. The Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme was started in the year 1975 in Andhra Pradesh. The programme aims at the comprehensive development of the child, right from prenatal period through infancy to childhood, by a series of coordinated activities of Nutrition, Health and Educational (NHE) services. Care of women and children and Adolescent Girls occupies the center stage of the programme. To achieve the laudable objectives, apart from massive funding for the supplementary nutrition, the programme provides for elaborate personnel such as AWWs at village level who today Number about 64000. To monitor and guide them about 3001 supervisors are sanctioned for cluster of villages and 387 CDPO for every 3 to 4 mandals. In spite of this programme being under implementation since 1975 and gradually up scaled to achieve universalization with budget today of about Rs.1200 crores, the dismal progress achieved in addressing malnutrition, Neonatal deaths and MMR continue to be areas of serious concern. The CDPOs as responsible functionaries impact the implementation of programmes in over 100 villages impacting health and future of thousands of families.

5. Thus, in the Memo. 11th read above, while communicating the report of the Enquiry officer, a show cause notice was issued on the provisional decision of the Government to impose punishment of withholding 10% of Pension for (6) months for the charges held proved duly indicating therein that misappropriation, if any, found later would be recovered.

6. The Delinquent Officer Smt B. Krishna Kumari, Project Director (Retd) submitted her representation 12th read above wherein did not put forth any new grounds in this regard.

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7. In the letter 13th cited, the concurrence of the APPSC, Hyderabad on the above provisional decision of the Government has been communicated and after careful examination of the matter and taking into consideration of the gravity of the charges which are held proved, with reference to the Inquiry Report and findings of the Director, Women Development & Child Welfare, Hyderabad, Government, under rule 9(2) of the Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980, confirm the above provisional decision and has decided to impose a punishment of 10% cut in Pension for (6) months, under rule 9(2) of the Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980, for the charges held proved.

8. Accordingly, under rule 9(2) of the Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980, a punishment of 10% cut in pension for (6) months is imposed against Smt B. Krishna Kumari, Project Director (Retd).

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

NILAM SAWHNEY
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

To:

Smt. B. Krishna Kumari, former PD, Ongole (retired) *through* the Director, WD & CW, Hyd.

Copy to:

The Director, Women Development & Child Welfare, Hyderabad.

The Accountant General, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

The Secretary, APPSC, Hyderabad (with covering letter)

P.S. to M(IKP; WCD&SC).

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SECTION OFFICER